sherrill seeks his pass

ROBERT SHERRILL, a Washington-based journalist whose work has appeared in these pages, is taking the White House to court in an attempt to obtain a White House press pass. Sherrill is known for having done stories critical of various occupants of the presidential mansion and, as a result, the Secret Service has long denied him an official press credential.

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Hence he has only been admitted to the White House when the President himself is absent - for example, at a recent all-woman social event which featured champagne with strawberries floating in it. Says Sherrill, "I'm suing for the credential just to have fun. Obviously it is worthless. The last place you're going to find any News is at an official White House conference."

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